

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-13 (Canceled).

14. (Previously Presented) A connecting system having a connecting mounting, an electronic apparatus detachably mountable on the connecting mounting so as to be electrically connected to the connecting mounting, and a data processing apparatus which
5 exchanges data with the electronic apparatus through the connecting mounting, the connecting system comprising:

a holding unit which is mounted on the connecting mounting, and on which the electronic apparatus is mountable with a part of the electronic apparatus facing various directions;

10 a judging unit which is included in the data processing apparatus, and which judges a direction relative to the connecting mounting that the part of the electronic apparatus faces when the electronic apparatus is mounted on the holding unit; and

15 a mode setting unit which is included in the data processing apparatus, and which sets the electronic apparatus in an operation mode in accordance with the direction of the part of the electronic apparatus judged by the judging unit,

wherein, in the operation mode, data is exchanged between
20 the electronic apparatus and the data processing apparatus.

Claim 15 (Canceled).

16. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ A data processing apparatus
according to claim 15, for exchanging data with an electronic
apparatus through a connecting mounting when the electronic
apparatus is electrically connected to the connecting mounting,
5 the data processing apparatus comprising:

a judging unit which judges a direction relative to the
connecting mounting that a part of the electronic apparatus faces
when the electronic apparatus is mounted on the connecting
mounting; and

10 a mode setting unit which sets the data processing apparatus
in an operation mode in accordance with the direction judged by
the judging unit,

wherein, in the operation mode, data is exchanged between
the data processing apparatus and the electronic apparatus,

15 wherein the electronic apparatus comprises an image pickup
apparatus, and

wherein the operation mode set in accordance with the
direction judged by the judging unit comprises plural operation
modes including an image-data transferring mode, in which image
20 data stored in a memory of the image pickup apparatus is
transferred to the data processing apparatus.

17. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ A data processing apparatus
according to claim 15, for exchanging data with an electronic
apparatus through a connecting mounting when the electronic
apparatus is electrically connected to the connecting mounting,
5 the data processing apparatus comprising:

a judging unit which judges a direction relative to the
connecting mounting that a part of the electronic apparatus faces
when the electronic apparatus is mounted on the connecting
mounting; and

10 a mode setting unit which sets the data processing apparatus
in an operation mode in accordance with the direction judged by
the judging unit,

wherein, in the operation mode, data is exchanged between
the data processing apparatus and the electronic apparatus,

15 wherein the electronic apparatus comprises an image pickup
apparatus, and

wherein the operation mode set in accordance with the
direction judged by the judging unit comprises plural operation
modes including a photographing mode, in which image data is
20 generated with an image pickup element of the image pickup
apparatus and is transferred to the data processing apparatus.

18. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ A data processing apparatus
according to claim 15, further comprising: for exchanging data
with an electronic apparatus through a connecting mounting when
the electronic apparatus is electrically connected to the
5 connecting mounting, the data processing apparatus comprising:

a judging unit which judges a direction relative to the
connecting mounting that a part of the electronic apparatus faces
when the electronic apparatus is mounted on the connecting
mounting;

10 a mode setting unit which sets the data processing apparatus
in an operation mode in accordance with the direction judged by
the judging unit, wherein, in the operation mode, data is
exchanged between the data processing apparatus and the
electronic apparatus; and

15 an operation requesting unit which requests the electronic
apparatus to perform an operation corresponding to a data
transferring mode, which is set in the data processing apparatus
based on the direction judged by the judging unit.

Claims 19-21 (Canceled).

22. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according
to claim 14, wherein the holding unit is configured to mount the
electronic apparatus while the part of the electronic apparatus is

5 directed to various directions with respect to the connecting
mounting.

23. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according
to claim 22, wherein the holding unit is fixed to the connecting
mounting and is configured to mount the electronic apparatus in
one of plural positional relationships; and

5 wherein the judging unit judges the one of the plural
positional relationships.

24. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according
to claim 22, wherein the holding unit is rotatably connected to
the connecting mounting; and

5 wherein the judging unit judges a rotation angle of the
holding unit.

25. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according
to claim 24, wherein the judging unit is configured to judge at
least three rotation angles of the holding unit.

26. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according
to claim 22, wherein the electronic apparatus comprises an
electronic apparatus imaging unit and an electronic apparatus main
body;

5 wherein the electronic apparatus imaging unit is rotatably
connected to the electronic apparatus main body; and

 wherein the judging unit judges a rotational relationship
between the electronic apparatus imaging unit and the electronic
apparatus main body.

27. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according
to claim 26, wherein the judging unit is configured to judge at
least three rotational relationships between the electronic
apparatus imaging unit and the electronic apparatus main body.

28. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according
to claim 14, wherein the judging unit turns on the electronic
apparatus if the electronic apparatus is turned off when the
judging unit judges a connection between the electronic apparatus
5 and the holding unit.

29. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according
to claim 14, wherein the electronic apparatus includes a data
transfer mode as the operation mode, and

 wherein, when the electronic apparatus is set in the data
5 transfer mode, one of the electronic apparatus and the data
processing apparatus transfers data stored in the electronic
apparatus to the data processing apparatus.

30. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according to claim 14, wherein the electronic apparatus includes a camera mode as the operation mode, and

5 wherein, when the electronic apparatus is set in the camera mode, one of the electronic apparatus and the data processing apparatus controls an imaging unit in the electronic apparatus to pick up an image and transfer the picked-up image to the data processing apparatus.

31. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according to claim 14, wherein the electronic apparatus includes a display mode as the operating mode, and

5 wherein, when the electronic apparatus is set in the display mode, one of the electronic apparatus and the data processing apparatus displays an image stored in the electronic apparatus on the data processing apparatus.

32. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according to claim 14, wherein the electronic apparatus includes a self timer mode as the operating mode, and

5 wherein, when the electronic apparatus is set in the self timer mode, one of the electronic apparatus and the data processing apparatus controls an imaging unit in the electronic

apparatus to pick up an image by a self timer operation and transfer the picked-up image to the data processing apparatus.

33. (Previously Presented) The connecting system according to claim 14, wherein the electronic apparatus is mountable in various states on the holding unit with the part of the electronic apparatus facing various directions; and

5 wherein the judging unit judges the direction relative to the holding unit that the part of the electronic apparatus faces when the electronic apparatus is mounted on the holding unit.

34. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ An operation mode setting method according to claim 19, for a data processing apparatus which exchanges data with an electronic apparatus through a connecting mounting when the electronic apparatus is detachably mounted on the connecting mounting and is electrically connected to the connecting mounting, the operation mode setting method comprising:

5 judging a direction relative to the connecting mounting that a part of the electronic apparatus faces when the electronic apparatus is mounted on the connecting mounting; and

10 setting the data processing apparatus in an operation mode in accordance with the judged direction,

wherein, in the operation mode, data is exchanged between the data processing apparatus and the electronic apparatus, and

wherein a holding unit mounted on the connecting mounting is
15 configured to mount the electronic apparatus while the part of the
electronic apparatus is directed to various directions with
respect to the connecting mounting.

35. (Previously Presented) The operation mode setting method
according to claim 34, further comprising turning on the
electronic apparatus if the electronic apparatus is turned off
when a connection between the electronic apparatus and the holding
5 unit is judged.

36. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ An operation mode setting method
~~according to claim 19, for a data processing apparatus which~~
exchanges data with an electronic apparatus through a connecting
mounting when the electronic apparatus is detachably mounted on
5 the connecting mounting and is electrically connected to the
connecting mounting, the operation mode setting method comprising:

judging a direction relative to the connecting mounting that
a part of the electronic apparatus faces when the electronic
apparatus is mounted on the connecting mounting; and

10 setting the data processing apparatus in an operation mode in
accordance with the judged direction,

wherein, in the operation mode, data is exchanged between the
data processing apparatus and the electronic apparatus,

wherein the electronic apparatus includes a data transfer
mode as the operation mode, and

wherein, when the electronic apparatus is set in the data
transfer mode, one of the electronic apparatus and the data
processing apparatus transfers data stored in the electronic
apparatus to the data processing apparatus.

37. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ An operation mode setting method
~~according to claim 19, for a data processing apparatus which~~
~~exchanges data with an electronic apparatus through a connecting~~
~~mounting when the electronic apparatus is detachably mounted on~~
the connecting mounting and is electrically connected to the
connecting mounting, the operation mode setting method comprising:

judging a direction relative to the connecting mounting that
a part of the electronic apparatus faces when the electronic
apparatus is mounted on the connecting mounting; and

setting the data processing apparatus in an operation mode in
accordance with the judged direction,

wherein, in the operation mode, data is exchanged between the
data processing apparatus and the electronic apparatus,

wherein the electronic apparatus includes a camera mode as
the operation mode, and

wherein, when the electronic apparatus is set in the camera
mode, one of the electronic apparatus and the data processing

apparatus controls an imaging unit in the electronic apparatus to
pick up an image and transfer the picked-up image to the data
20 processing apparatus.

38. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ An operation mode setting method
~~according to claim 19, for a data processing apparatus which~~
~~exchanges data with an electronic apparatus through a connecting~~
~~mounting when the electronic apparatus is detachably mounted on~~
5 ~~the connecting mounting and is electrically connected to the~~
~~connecting mounting, the operation mode setting method comprising:~~
~~judging a direction relative to the connecting mounting that~~
~~a part of the electronic apparatus faces when the electronic~~
~~apparatus is mounted on the connecting mounting; and~~
10 ~~setting the data processing apparatus in an operation mode in~~
~~accordance with the judged direction,~~
~~wherein, in the operation mode, data is exchanged between the~~
~~data processing apparatus and the electronic apparatus,~~
~~wherein the electronic apparatus includes a display mode as~~
15 ~~the operation mode, and~~
~~wherein, when the electronic apparatus is set in the display~~
~~mode, one of the electronic apparatus and the data processing~~
~~apparatus displays an image stored in the electronic apparatus on~~
~~the data processing apparatus.~~

39. (Currently Amended) ~~The~~ An operation mode setting method
~~according to claim 19,~~ for a data processing apparatus which
exchanges data with an electronic apparatus through a connecting
mounting when the electronic apparatus is detachably mounted on
5 the connecting mounting and is electrically connected to the
connecting mounting, the operation mode setting method comprising:
judging a direction relative to the connecting mounting that
a part of the electronic apparatus faces when the electronic
apparatus is mounted on the connecting mounting; and
10 setting the data processing apparatus in an operation mode in
accordance with the judged direction,
wherein, in the operation mode, data is exchanged between the
data processing apparatus and the electronic apparatus,
15 wherein the electronic apparatus includes a self timer mode
as the operation mode, and
wherein, when the electronic apparatus is set in the self
timer mode, one of the electronic apparatus and the data
processing apparatus controls an imaging unit in the electronic
apparatus to pick up an image by a self timer operation and
20 transfer the picked-up image to the data processing apparatus.

Claim 40 (Canceled).